

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

## **REGION IX**

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In Reply Refer to: T-4-1

Mr. Bob Wilson Vice President Hawker Pacific 11310 Sherman Way Sun Valley, CA 91352

Dear Mr. Wilson:

In 1984, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) proposed the San Fernando Superfund sites, Areas 1-4, for the National Priorities List, which identifies targets for remedial action under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA). See 42 U.S.C. §9601 et. seq. Enclosed is EPA's San Fernando Fact Sheet #1 which gives more information. EPA has determined that a release of hazardous substances (as defined by Section 101(14) of CERCLA) has occurred at the San Fernando Superfund sites, Areas 1-4.

EPA is spending public funds to investigate and take corrective action for the control of actual and threatened releases of contaminants and hazardous substances at the San Fernando Valley Superfund sites, Areas 1-4, Los Angeles County, California. Unless EPA determines that a responsible party will properly perform the investigation and cleanup, EPA may perform the work or take enforcement action pursuant to CERCLA. EPA will also seek to recover its costs pursuant to CERCLA Section 107.

Preliminary investigations have shown that hazardous substances including trichloroethylene (TCE) and tetrachloroethylene (PCE) are contaminating the ground water at the sites. As a result of the release of the hazardous substances, the public health is threatened, since the contamination has migrated to public drinking water wells which supply drinking water to 500,000 residents in the San Fernando Valley and Los Angeles area.

Under Section 106(a) of CERCLA, responsible parties may be obligated to take actions that EPA determines are necessary to protect public health or welfare or the environment. See 42 U.S.C. §9606(a). Responsible parties are liable for all costs incurred by the government in responding to any release or threatened release at the site. Such costs can included, but are not limited to, expenditures for investigation, planning, cleanup of the site, and enforcement. Responsible parties under CERCLA include current and past owners and operators, as well as persons who generated the hazardous substances or were involved in the

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